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Major General Simmons (Deputy Commanding General III Corps and Fort Hood) held a press conference yesterday (23 June). He emphasized the following points relevant to the 3 ACR and the Secretary of the Army's comments of 22 June:

- The timing for the move hasn't been determined.
- No families will have to move during deployment.
- The division move to Carson [and the ACR's move to Hood] is about moving the flags.
- The traditional Army process calls for matching MOS and grade. It doesn't mean moving large numbers of families. We will reduce disruption of family moves. It doesn't [necessarily] mean families currently assigned will make the move.
- There won't be a mass exodus out of either Hood or Carson.

### MG Simmons' Opening Statement:

I would like to take a few minutes to discuss and clarify the comments made by the Secretary of the Army during his visit to Fort Hood.

First, Fort Hood is an enduring installation for the U.S. Army.

At end-state in FY 11, Fort Hood will have a 3-star, a 2-star division headquarters, 5 Brigade Combat Team and 8 support brigades. Based on the info we currently have, this will be the largest concentration of combat, combat support, combat service support formations in the Army.

The actual number of Soldiers stationed here will not be less than the number here in 2003. The final number will not be determined until documents are completed for transformation.

Regarding the move of the 4ID flag to Fort Carson, there is no timeline in place for that move. The division's focus remains preparing for combat.

We will not move any families to Fort Carson during the division deployment.

The same applies to moving the 3d ACR flag to Fort Hood.